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or greasy, or that appear to have been used
for any other purpose than that of containing
Aerated Water, as such bottles are never used
again by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,
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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 16, 1890.

For some months past there has been a
considerable amount of controversy
amongst the leading sharebrokers of the
Colony as to the advisability of establishing
a Stock Exchange where business could
be carried on in a legitimate and trust-
worthy manner. Rules and regulations
were drawn up by Mr. J. J. Francis,
Q.C., and meetings of brokers have from
time to time been called and held in the
Board Room of the Hongkong and
Shanghai Banking Corporation for the
purpose of considering the best manner of
regulating and improving the stock and
share business of the Colony.

Notwithstanding all the energy which
has been displayed by certain would-be
reformers, it was decided at the last
meeting, held on Monday the 12th instant,
to allow this much needed reform to
collapse—at least so far as private
enterprise is concerned. The matter has
now, we understand, been again submitted
to His Excellency the Office Administering
the Government, together with the decision
arrived at on Monday last, viz:—"To
abandon the formation of a Stock Exchange
in this Colony." We trust that His
Excellency will see his way to deal with the
matter under consideration in such a manner
as may be satisfactory to the community
at large. One thing is certain beyond all
doubt, and that is—If the more responsible
share-brokers in the Colony cannot form
rules and regulations for their own
guidance, then they must inevitably submit
to "the powers that be," whose duty,
it seems, is to specially legislate for them.
Share-jobbing has been carried on for
a considerable time on a thoroughly
illegitimate and unreliable basis, and this
can plainly be seen by the numerous cases
which have been occupying the attention
of the Summary Jurisdiction Court—cases

which could never have arisen except
under the present regime of share business
now in vogue here.

Let any one interested take a walk
down the Queen's Road at about noon
and he will find surrounding the Hong-
kong Hotel a gang of men, of all shades of
colour and of all nationalities, gesticulating
and swearing at each other in their
different languages. The pavement is
almost impassable to pedestrians. This
riff-raff, who assume the name of and claim
to be share-brokers, stock-brokers, etc.,
have become a dangerous and intoler-
able nuisance, and a pest to the Colony;
but nevertheless they claim and receive
the same protection from the Government,
and apparently have the same *locus standi*
as honorable and respectable firms which
have existed for a number of years. Such
a state of things, to say the very least,
must be unsatisfactory to all concerned, and
must suggest to the Government the
necessity for reform, and that reform, to
our thinking, should be by legislation
of a stringent character. At the present time
share business in Hongkong is in a very
despondent state, and now should be the
opportunity to make such regulations as
would deter, if that is possible, unprincipled
share-jobbers from causing a repetition of
the scandalous cases which have so
frequently of late come under the notice
of the Supreme Court. We feel quite certain
that bankers, merchants and commercial
men generally connected with the share
business, do not require the assistance
of the class of men above referred to.
Why then do they exist? The answer
simply is that there is no law which deters
them from carrying on amongst themselves
a gambling share business under the guise
of share-brokers. We quite admit that
every man has a right, a perfect right, to
make a legitimate living in the way he
deems best, but in the majority of cases the
jobbers referred to do not make an honest
living, but gain their livelihoods by dis-
honest speculation which is disastrous, ends
in untold misery to others and bankruptcy
to themselves. What are these men but
reckless gamblers? Men who have
probably started without a cent of capital,
but who, in order to carry out their
nefarious speculations on time contracts,
assume the high-sounding title of stock
and share-brokers.

We have seen so recently the outcome
of the fatal spirit of reckless speculation
which has almost ruined this colony, that no
apology is needed for speaking plainly. All
classes of men, even as low down as junior
clerks and office boys, with small stipends,
have launched out beyond their means;
they allege they have been tempted. No
doubt, and they have fallen. Who have
been the principal cause of these outrages
on our commercial character? Need we
ask?

Something must be done and done
quickly to put a stop to this wholesale
fraud under another name. Why should
not the Government compel share-brokers
to take out a license? Auctioneers pay
\$300 per annum, and why should not share-
brokers pay for their licenses too? What
we want and what we must have is
effective and prompt legislation, *Fortuna*
sequatur.

TELEGRAM

THE MALAY STATES.

LONDON, May 6th.

In the House of Commons the Under-Secretary
for the Colonies said that the Government can-
not sanction the return of Sultan Abdullah to
the Malay Peninsula.

PORTUGAL IN SOUTH AFRICA.

May 14th.

A Portuguese expeditionary force has started
to occupy Z. Zaland.

GERMANY.

THE DEBATE IN THE REICHSTAG.
General Caprivi said that Germany cannot go
back to East Africa and had no intention to
encroach on the British sphere, but was deter-
mined to proceed in harmony with England.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Taheran* left
Bombay yesterday for this port.

THE Tientsin Spring Race Meeting commenced
yesterday. Mr. C. H. Hutchings and Mr. D. E.
Sassoon are riding at the meeting.

WOODYER's circus has arrived at Singapore
from Mahila, with a troupe of thirty performers.
The opening show was announced for Saturday
last.

THE *Strait Times* says that a lot of Raul scrip
came to Singapore from Australia by last mail.
News from the mines, however, continues to be
of a most favorable character.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de*
Janeiro, with mails, etc., from San Francisco to
the 28th ult., arrived at Yokohama to-day, and
will leave for this port to-morrow.

A REGULAR meeting of Perseverance Lodge,
No. 1165, E.C., will be held in Freemasons'
Hall, Zealand Street, this evening, at 8.30 for
8 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially
invited.

THE Russian transport *Kostroma* arrived at
Singapore on the 7th inst. from Odessa, en route
to Vladivostok, with 615 passengers who are
described as "emigrants," but who are probably
convicts.

REAR-ADMIRAL Valois, of the German Navy,
who comes out to assume command of the
German squadron in the Far East, arrived here
from home this morning by the North German
Lloyd's steamer *Neckar*.

MR. CRAWFORD D. KERR, Secretary of the
Strait Insurance Co., left Singapore for a trip
to Europe in the Messageries Maritimes steamer
Congo on the 7th inst. During his absence
Mr. W. Maclean will act as *locum tenens*.

THE new pumping machinery for the Raul
mine was expected to Singapore on the 12th
inst. According to the *Strait Times*, the
manager of the mine has ceased sinking, and
commenced to drive with apparently good
prospects.

A YOUNG man was calling on a Congressman's
daughter in Washington one evening when the
father appeared at the parlor door. "May I
come in?" he asked, hesitatingly. "Oh, yes,"
she answered, "if you may; but we have a quorum
without you."

A SINGAPORE paper advertises that an estate in
British North Borneo wants a book-keeper, who
must be Dutch, German, or Swiss, with a suffi-
cient knowledge of English. No Britisher need
apply—and yet, yes, British North Borneo is
de facto a British colony. What next?

SIX assistant Chinese clerks and stewards, for
assistant duty on board the steamer *Singapore*,
were sentenced to a fortnight's imprisonment by
the Singapore Marine Magistrate on the 10th
inst. This is an example which our local
Harbour Master might imitate with advantage.

THE adjourned enquiry into the circumstances
attending the fire at No. 68, Queen's Street,
on the 28th ult., was adjourned by Mr. Wade
house this morning, until next Friday, the 23d
inst. Inspector Hennessy stated that the body
of a Chinaman had been found amongst the
ruins.

THE members of the Sanitary Board, in solemn
conference assembled, decided this afternoon that
the local architects had not sufficient reason for
complain to the Administrator of the Sanitary
Inspector's report. We hold over a detailed
account of the Board's proceedings until to-
morrow.

As will be seen by an advertisement in another
column, Hudson's Surprise Party will give an
entertainment in the Theatre Royal, City Hall,
on Wednesday next, the 21st inst. They will
appear for one night only, and we understand that
Mr. and Mrs. Hudson proceed direct to Europe
by next English mail.

THE Singapore *Free Press* says it was reported
that on the night of the 9th inst. a Malay girl,
walking along the Bukit Timan Road, by the
sixth milestone was attacked by two tigers, one
of which knocked her down and the other bit
her arm off, and then left her on the ground,
where she was found some time after.

It is reported that still another Portuguese clerk
in a position of trust in this colony will have to
face the music in the Supreme Court. He is an
employee of a Public Company and his alleged
crime is forgery. We shall probably be in a
position to give full details to-morrow—that is,
assuming the report to be well founded.

THE statement telegraphed from Berlin to the
effect that several rich and distinguished officers
of the Prussian army had been sentenced in con-
sequence of the late summary edict of the
Emperor, which they were supposed to regard
as too much of an arbitrary restraint on their
social habits and mode of life, is now said to be
unfounded.

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play
the following programme in the Barrack Square,
this evening, commencing at 7.30 o'clock:—
March "Forward" Doppler.
Lancers "The Millard" Bueland.
Volunteers "The March" Bueland.
Poles "The March" Bueland.
Quadrille "Fun of the Fair" Williams.
Gigue "Tinner's Fiddle" Zick.

THIS from the *Strait Times* of the 7th inst.:—
The arrangements for Mr. Percival Spencer's
Drop from the Clouds on Saturday are pro-
gressing satisfactorily. The high matting
fence and enclosure for reserved seats are in
course of erection. The Gas Manager is supply-
ing the main in the immediate vicinity with 4-inch
supply pipe, so that an ample supply of gas for
lighting the balloon is assured. The demand
for tickets for seats in the reserved enclosure is
said to be good.

DR. YOUNG, who sits on Melbourne corpses and
on live people when they require it, was recently
lecturing the police for allowing a prisoner to
escape, and for not having a revolver in his cell.
Suppose he had come into Court, you know, and shot one of the
magistrates? said his Honour. The extreme
awfulness of this possibility struck the whole
Court dumb for several seconds, and the policeman
present reeled and staggered on their large, flat
feet. At length the silence was broken by a
still, small voice from the back benches,
exclaiming, with subdued ferocity:—"And a—
good job, too!"

HARRY STANLEY'S Operatic, Burlesque, Dramatic
and Pantomime Co. opened in Singapore for
a season of six nights only on Saturday last, the
10th inst. As the season will probably be
extended a few days, they will scarcely arrive
here before the end of the month and long before
that time the genial Tommy Hudson, sole author
and composer of that charming play, "The
Widow from Aberdeen," will have returned
from Japan to "scoop in" the stray shreds of
local play-goers for one night only. We heartily
hope and believe that both of these talented
combinations will receive substantial support
here, notwithstanding the abnormal "lightness"
of money.

WASN'T IT?
[From the *Charleston World*.]
"Oh, Frank, dear, what is a receipt?"
She asked me—(she looked very sweet—
Her director, it fitted so well—
She's stylish from how to her feet—
"I'll explain," I said, "fair Marguerite!"
So I placed my arm round her—(twas me!—
For you see we were not on the street,
But in a nice shaded retreat!)—
And I kissed her—good gracious, 'twas sweet!
She returned it. "Now that's a receipt"
In full," I said. Wasn't that neat? —E.A.

[Oh! what an outrageous doctri—
How foolish and how indiscreet.—Ed.]

THE fourth ordinary meeting of shareholders
of Messrs. Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd., was
held yesterday afternoon. Messrs. A. Fooker,
Chairman; W. P. Moore, A. G. Apcar, A. M.
Apcar, Directors; I. F. Leon, Secretary; D.
McCulloch, J. S. Ferry, P. F. Dyer, J. Jamieson
and C. A. Ozorio were present. The accounts,
which had been in the shareholders' hands
for the past week, were passed. The Chairman
explained that the meeting would have been held
in February had not Mr. Gordon been delayed
in settling the accounts, owing to great pressure
of other business matters. A motion by Mr.
McCulloch that the charge for auditing should
in future be reduced to \$50 was carried, as also
Mr. Apcar's proposition that the Directors
should receive as remuneration \$150 per
annum. Dividend warrants will be issued on
Monday.

THERE will be a regular meeting of Victoria
Lodge, No. 1026, held in Freemasons' Hall,
Zetland Street, on Thursday, the 22nd instant,
at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren
are cordially invited.

PROFESSOR Thomson says that the dynamo of
the future will develop from 2,000 to 3,000 horse-
power, and as there is practically no limit to its
increase, he sees no reason why it should not go
far beyond these figures.

WE are requested to state that H. E. Major-
General J. Bevan Edwards, C.B., will hold a
farewell reception at Headquarters House on
Wednesday afternoon, the 21st inst., between
the hours of 5 and 7. There will be lawn-tennis,
and the Band of the Argyll and Sutherland
Highlanders will play a selection of music during
the afternoon.

THE river Thames is, as everyone knows, very
muddy, slimy and crooked. Just so. Then
what could Sir Charles Dilke mean when he
said lately, "Sir Henry Parkes has something
of the aspect of Father Thames." We are just
wondering whether or not this simile is applicable
to one or two Hongkong leading "lights." Is
that possible?

AN A.B. and an apprentice on board the "Shire"
liner *Pembroke* were convicted at Singa-
pore on the 9th inst. of appropriating nine bottles
of whiskey from that vessel which did not belong
to them. The apprentice will have three months
and the A.B. a fortnight in rigorous confinement
to think over the evils of loving whiskey not
wisely but too well.

WE thank "Admiral" for his good opinion of
our "rag," but prefer not to publish letters of
self-laudation. Of course we know that the
Hongkong Telegraph is a "live" paper and
that our two contemporaries are as dead as a
drowned billy-goat—but after all, what does it
matter? "Live and let live" has always been
our motto, and "Admiral" should remember
that their weakness only adds to our strength.

PARIS officers going to seize the goods of a
woman against whom a judgment had been
obtained, found her apparently dead and prepared
for burial in her room. They were about to
retire when one of them could not resist the
temptation to pinch the plump arm of the
woman. The supposed corpse promptly sat up
on the bed and gave the impertinent officer a
regular dressing down before he remembered that
she was dead to her creditors, if not to the
world. The execution was made at once and
the goods sold.

IT appears from the *Scotsman* that in one week
forty new joint-stock companies have been
registered in Scotland, with a total capital of
£2,455,820. During the three months expiring
on the 31st of March last there has been a
considerable increase on last year's average,
which for the quarter was £2,211,151. The total
capital of the 136 companies registered during
the whole of 1879 was £8,844,004, but these
figures included a number of private firms
converted into limited liability companies, whose
shares were not offered to the public.

UNDER the heading "The Gospel of Love," a
Singapore contemporary states that "two young
Japanese noblemen who have been studying
in Germany have just been converted to
Christianity, and been baptized at the church of
Ellisdorf, near Berlin. They desire to marry two
young German girls, whose parents insist on their
conversion as a *condition sine qua non*. Count Arima
was by the name of Mr. Curt, and is going to the
Military School at Berlin, and hopes to pass his
career in the Prussian Army. Viscount Kobayashi
is known as M. Bruno, and is reading for the
Bar."

WE find this in a London paper dated April
14th:—"The official list of divorce cases to be
tried during the sittings which commence to-
morrow was issued on Saturday, the total num-
bering 235, which is above the average. Among
the actions to be determined is that of Dunlop v.
Dunlop and Wertheimer, in which the petitioner,
Viscount Dunlop, son of the Earl of Clancarty,
seeks a divorce from Lady Dunlop, better known
as Miss Belle Bliton. Sir Charles Russell has
been retained for the petitioner, and the case is
expected to be reached in about three weeks' time."

THE repertoire of Mr. Harry Stanley's company,
which will shortly visit Hongkong, includes the
following:—

Operas—The Pirates of Penzance, Les Cloches
de Corneville, Grand Duchess of Gerolstein,
H.M.S. "Pinafore," Patience, Mikado, La Fille
de Madame Angot, La Fille du Tambour-Major,
Rudigore, Bohemian Girl, La Sonnambula,
Olivette, Manola, Paul Jones, Faust, etc. to
Dante, Martha, Dorothy, Little Duke, La Mascotte, etc.

Burlesques—Aladdin, The Maid and the Magpie,
Jack the Giant-Killer, Sleeping Beauty,
Shee, Princess Cherry Blossom, Lalla Rookh,
Blue Beard, etc. &c.

Dramas and Comedies—The Colleen Bawn,
Our Boys, Harbour Lights, East Lynne, Rob
Roy, Held by the Enemy, Magistrate, Under the
Gas Light, Ticket of Leave Man, etc. &c.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. A. G. Wills, Acting Puisne
Judge.)

ANOTHER PINJON PUSTER.

DAVER v. O. BRANDT, \$400.
Mr. H. W. Wotton and Deacon
appeared for the plaintiff, who claimed from
Mr. Oscar Brandt the sum of \$400, the
difference in price of certain Pinjon shares which
defendant had failed to take up on due date.
The defendant was not represented, nor did
he appear in person.

Mr. F. F. Dyer stated that he sold to Mr.
Oscar Brandt 50 Pinjon shares at \$10 each for
delivery on the 25th of April. They were not
taken up at due date, so he sold them at \$11
the proper market price at that time, on the 25th
of April. He now claimed \$400 as balance due
to him in this connection.

Mr. S. E. Casumbona, a broker, said that on
the 25th of April of this year the market price of
Pinjons was \$12 per share.

His lordship gave judgment for plaintiff with
costs.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO. v. ANDREW, \$75.
The Chinese Insurance Company, represented
by Messrs. Wotton and Deacon, claimed the
sum of \$75 from Mr. John Andrew, balance of
rent due.

The defendant was not represented.
Mr. Carl Herman Harris, clerk of the Chinese
Insurance Co., said that the defendant owed the
Company \$75 for rent.

There being no defence, his lordship entered
judgment for plaintiff with costs.

THE HONGKONG BANK EMERGENCY
MENT CASE.

At the Police Court this afternoon, Mr.
E. Robinson on the bench, A. M. P. Silva was
charged, on remand, with the embezzlement of
\$44,484.77, belonging to the Hongkong and
Shanghai Banking Corporation. Mr. A. D.

Johnson, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr.
Caldwell defended.

The court was again crowded with foreign-
ers and Chinese.
Thomas Jackson stated he was Chief
Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai
Bank. He first became aware of the pris-
oner's delinquencies by his father calling last
Wednesday about half past three o'clock
and stating that his son had taken certain
monies belonging to the Bank, owing to
his having got into trouble through some share
speculations. The father said his son had taken
from forty to forty-five thousand dollars and
added that he (the father) was very anxious to
do anything he could to make good the loss.
Witness stated that this having come to his
knowledge he must bring it before the Court
of Directors. He then called the accountant
(Mr. Maitland) and he had an interview with
Mr. Silva, Senior Mr. Maitland then saw the
prisoner, who pointed out the items that had been
falsified. Witness did not speak to the prisoner
at all.

Cross-examined by Mr. Caldwell—Before the
father spoke to him he had no idea that there
was anything wrong, neither was he aware that
anyone else knew it. The prisoner certainly
has innumerable opportunities of leaving
the Colony since last August without detection.
After he had seen Mr. Silva, witness went to
Mr. Maitland's desk. He saw the prisoner there,
where the vouchers were being examined. It
seemed to him that the prisoner was making
full and complete disclosures. His whole
impression was that the prisoner did not wish to
conceal anything. He showed no desire to run
out of the Bank building. Witness instructed
Mr. Maitland to enquire into the matter. He
did not know Silva's predecessor in the Bill
department. He could not tell exactly who it
was. It seemed to him, speaking from his own
knowledge, that this sort of or bust, but some-
times, like this was almost impossible to occur.
But in spite of all safeguards, it appeared that
a man could commit a fraud, no matter how you
watched him. He had not specially enquired
whether the usual safeguards were in this par-
ticular instance applied. Although he had heard
of plenty of robberies and frauds, he had never
heard of a previous instance of bills being
scheduled which did not exist at all.

Andrew Wright Maitland said he was Chief
Accountant of the Hongkong and Shanghai
Bank. He remembered Mr. Jackson coming
to his desk on Wednesday afternoon. He
went to find prisoner and did find him walking
about in the office. He asked him what was
the matter. Prisoner had heard that his father
had been to the Chief Manager and told of some-
thing dreadful which had happened. Prisoner
told witness briefly that he had passed entries
for bills which the Bank had never received.
Witness asked him what he had done with the
money, and Silva replied that he had used it for
losses on Sugar shares. He then pointed out the
entries of certain bills in the register which he
said did not exist. He pointed out nothing
more.

Cross-examined: When he had the conver-
sation with prisoner he did not know whether
Mr. Jackson was there or not. Prisoner was
nervous and answered in subdued tones. The
prisoner gave him the information he asked for.
Before that date he did not know of anyone who
was cognisant respecting these delinquencies,
some of which took place in August last. If the
usual form had been observed there might have
been some questions about it, because it would
be surprising that such a youth should be engaged
in such large transactions. These large amounts
would be entered in a ledger, which was kept
usually by an English clerk. But sometimes,
when the Bank was short-handed, Portuguese
clerks kept the ledgers, but only as a temporary
measure. In the case of the prisoner the sums
would be passed into the ledger of the man
who has charge of the ledger "S." In the case
of overdraft accounts, cheques would be referred
either to witness or to the sub-accountant. In
the case of credits no reference need be made
with regard to outsiders; but in the case of large
credits by junior clerks in the Bank, reference
should be made to him or the sub-accountant.
In the present case no reference was made
to him by the ledger keeper. The balances
were made up at the end of last year. Not being
within his knowledge he could not say how the
balance was struck last year and this matter
escaped notice. As far as he knew there was
nothing to prevent the prisoner from running away
before last Wednesday. He knew Acurio Jorge,
who had the prisoner's seat in the Bank, prior
to the prisoner being in the bill department.
He thought the prisoner succeeded him about
June last year. Mr. Jorge had been many years
in the Bank's service, and was an old and
trusted servant.

Mr. Caldwell in summing up said that the
prisoner was not prepared, at that time, to
dispute the alleged confessions in the Bank.
He admitted the charge. The case was, there-
fore, nothing for his Worship but to commit the
prisoner for trial. He might add, however, that
the admission referred only to one item of
\$23,484.77.

Mr. Johnson then stated that he considered it
unnecessary at present to go into any further
evidence regarding the other item of \$21,000.15.
Detective Melver having deposed as to the
arrest of the prisoner in the Bank at that time,
his Worship committed the case for trial at the next Criminal
Sessions of the Supreme Court.

A BRITISH MARINERS' ASSOCI-
ATION FOR HONGKONG.

We hear that a meeting will be held next
week in connection with the formation of a pro-
posed British Mariners' Association in this
colony. The objects of the Association are not
difficult to understand. It is set forth that the
officers and men of the Mercantile Marine,
have for some long time past laboured under
serious disadvantages, and suffered in many cases,
grievous individual hardships, besides having
to enter into competition with unqualified men,
and that many of these have grown up and
brought a stigma upon a profession that should
rank second to none in the world. Being fully
conscious of the above facts, this Association
is being brought into existence to counteract
influences that are working against its members'
interests, to initiate reforms, to sweep away
abuses, to enable its members to fill their
social position with comfort to themselves,
maintain the dignity of their profession, and to
watch over and guard the interests of
its members whenever they may be assailed.
And while doing this, members are asked to bear
in mind that this Association is not formed
to work in antagonism to their employers,
but to show by their ability and general fitness for
the positions they hold, that their being members
of this Association is a guarantee to owners or
companies that in employing them they are
employing their own interests. In conclusion,
the Association cannot fail to be productive of
good if its members will give to it a generous
and cordial support, and the officers and men who
comprise it may hope, by the exercise of what
constitute moderate action, and pulled off by
making themselves respected and at home in
their profession.

We are very glad to hear that such an
Association on the verge of actual existence, and
would suggest to its promoters that ultimately it
should assume, as far as possible, an international

aspect, and thus become one of the most power-
ful and useful organizations of its kind that the
world has yet known. Sailing ships can put to
sea without engineers as we all know, but
neither steamers nor sailing vessels can stir
unless they have their complement of qualified
officers and men. It is, therefore, clear that
the whip will very shortly be in the hands of
British seamen, as it should be, who will not,
as heretofore, be entirely at the mercy of ship-
owners and marine superintendents. We wish
the proposed Hongkong Association every suc-
cess in its legitimate aspirations.

THE RICHMOND TERRACE
ESTATE AND BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report of the General
Manager for the year ended at the 31st December,
1889, for presentation to the shareholders at the

The *Daily Telegraph's* St. Petersburg correspondent says that the police discovered quantities of strong explosives at Gatchina on Thursday, in lodgings which had been recently vacated.

The owners of the Midland collieries having conceded an advance of 10 per cent. in wages to the miners, the leaders of the strike movement are now discouraging any further agitation until Christmas.

The Duke of Cambridge has invited six or twelve Victorian riflemen to take part in the rifle tournament which is to be opened on the 18th June.

Viscount Deerehurst (eldest son of the Earl of Coventry), who was lately adjudicated insolvent, has made an arrangement with his creditors.

The *Economist*, commenting on the Victorian loan, for which tenders are now invited, advises investors to show more than ordinary caution, and declares that unless some financial ability is introduced into the Victorian Treasury, political jobbery checked, and Parliament insisted upon deriving more money from lands than from loans and the colonial tax-payers, English investors will suffer.

The *Financial Times*, in an adverse article on the Bank of New Zealand published to-day, refers to Mr. Buckley's pamphlet, which contains a confidential letter from Mr. Murray. The writer of the article thinks that this is only the beginning of the revelations that must be made of the affairs of the bank, and asks whether it is true that two members of the Colonial Government borrowed £60,000 from the bank, and the interest was unpaid for two years.

Four hundred live sheep have been imported into Liverpool from the Argentine Republic, and have realised double the amount at which frozen mutton from the River Plate has recently been sold.

The carpenters in New York are going out on strike on the 1st May in support of the eight-hour movement.

The Socialists have determined upon a monster parade in Paris on the 1st of May, in which 200,000 will take part.

The programme submitted by the United States Government for the increase of the Navy has been largely curtailed by the House of Representatives.

The Portuguese dealers at Mozambique, on the East Coast of Africa, have forbidden the supply of provisions to the British men-of-war there.

April 13th.

The death is announced of Sir John Henry Lecky.

The report recently received of the massacre of two Portuguese officers and 150 native soldiers by the Makololo tribe in South-Eastern Africa, has been confirmed.

The tenants evicted from the Smith-Barry estates in Tipperary have built a new town in the vicinity, which was opened yesterday with great ceremony, Messrs. Deas, O'Brien, and other members of the Nationalist party taking a leading part in the proceedings. The old town has been entirely deserted.

April 14th.

It is reported that King Leopold of Belgium has refused an offer made by Germany of 100,000,000 francs (£4,000,000) to acquire the territory of the Congo Free State.

News from Egypt states that travellers who have arrived from Omdurman, in the Southern Sudan, report that the Mahdists have practically disappeared. The route between Dongola and Khartoum is now open, and Mahdism is dying out in Upper Egypt and the Sudan.

The Soudan Convention, which was arranged some time ago between representatives of Germany, Great Britain, and the United States at Berlin, has been finally raised by the Governments of the three Powers.

Five thousand dock labourers at Birkenhead have struck work.

NEW YORK, April 14th.

An excursion steamer from Saginaw to Michigan ran foul of a bridge yesterday. Eighty persons were thrown into the water by the force of the shock, six being drowned, and many injured.

LONDON, April 15th.

Mr. Mathews, Home Secretary, replying to a question in the House of Commons to-day, stated that the judge who tried the case, approved of the execution of the elder of the brothers Davies, who were convicted of the murder of their father.

The Grand Duke Constantine of Russia, cousin of the Czar, has been arrested for writing a revolutionary poem.

It is stated that Madame Sarah Bernhardt, the famous actress, has entered into a contract with a prominent impresario for a tour round the world, which will include visits to America and Australia.

The caravan which Emin Pasha, who has taken service under the German authorities in East Africa, is about to lead into the interior of the country, will, it is stated, be the forerunner of four or five others.

The Germans are building immense warehouses at Zanzibar in anticipation of opening up a trade with Central Africa.

The *Times* correspondent at Cannes has interviewed Mr. H. M. Stanley, who told him that several of the Relief Committee's letters had failed to reach him, yet their contents were known to the German officials.

In the House of Commons this afternoon, Sir John Gorst, in reply to a member, said that the traffic in girls between Rangoon and Madras was engaging the attention of the India Office, and the laws already in existence for the purpose of dealing with that traffic, would be stringently enforced.

In the disturbances yesterday the Carlists wounded three of the crowd with revolvers.

Order has been restored.

VIENNA, April 15th.

Fifty arrests were effected yesterday among the rioters in the vicinity of Vienna.

The shops which were looted were chiefly those belonging to Jews.

LONDON, April 16th.

The police made a raid on a low betting club in Soho to-day, and arrested fifty-seven persons, most of whom are foreigners.

The excitement in connection with the Labour Day movement, which is intended to celebrate in France, Germany, and other countries on the 1st May, is increasing. The Socialists have destroyed by dynamite Liebig's ironworks at Berlin, owing to the firm having refused to grant a holiday on that date, when it is intended to hold a monster parade.

Signor Sacchi, the celebrated Italian fatter, who has undertaken to go without food for forty days, has finished the thirtieth day of his fast at the Aquarium, and is still strong.

The Press at the Cape of Good Hope is denouncing Lord Salisbury for his refusal to cede the native State of Swaziland to the Transvaal. A bill re-classifying the various trades and providing for arbitration in trades disputes has been introduced in the German Reichstag.

The labour strikes in Austria are spreading throughout the country.

April 17th.

Mr. Sadi Carnot, the French President, passed through Aix-les-Bains, where Queen Victoria is staying, and proceeded thence to Marseilles without paying a visit to her Majesty.

The lifeboat *Storm King*, in which Captain Jorgensen is making the voyage to Australia, has left Cape Town for Melbourne.

The lifeboat *Storm King* arrived at Cape Town from England all well at noon on the 2nd March, and after a short stay was to proceed thence on her voyage to Melbourne. This small

vessel, which is only 30 ft. long, with an 8 ft. beam, sailed from London on the 12th September last, and arrived at Madeira on the 2nd October, after encountering some heavy gales. She is manned by her inventor, Captain Jorgensen, and a comrade named Nelson.

Madame Melba, the Australian prima donna, appeared in Paris last night at Marguerite in the opera of "Faust," and achieved the greatest success since Adeline Patti represented the character there.

Captain O'Kane of H. M. S. *Calliope*, which has returned to England to be paid off, is an applicant for the command of the gunnery ship *Excellent*, stationed at Portsmouth.

The proposed Portuguese railway loan has proved a fiasco.

The miners in Silesia (Prussia) have organised serious riots, which were quelled by the military.

Mr. J. H. Houldsworth has been elected as one of the stewards of the Jockey Club in the place of Mr. J. Lowry, who has resigned.

The Committee of Ways and Means has reported the Republican Tariff Bill to the United States House of Representatives, after making various alterations in the bill. Sugar below sixteen Dutch standard is made free of duty, and above that grade subject to a duty of four tenths of a cent per lb. American domestic sugars are given a bounty of 2 cents per lb.

The Pan-American Congress, which has been sitting for some months past, and at which the States of North and South America were represented, is generally recognised to be a failure. The proceedings of the Congress have virtually been without result.

The bookmakers on strike and the masters have decided to submit the matters in dispute between them to arbitration.

The employers in the boot trade have agreed to provide workshops for the men, and to accept the result of arbitration on the other matters in dispute.

A small palace belonging to the Czar, in Finland, has been burnt down, and seven of the inmates lost their lives.

It is announced that the Governor of Mozambique has been directed by the Portuguese Government to recall the military expedition which is now recently reported to have been sent to the Shire River, if it has already started.

Constance Kent, who was thirty years ago convicted of murder, has been pardoned.

[On the night of 29-30th June, 1860, Francis Saville Kent, 4 years old, was murdered, and his body hid in a garden water-closet at Road. His sister, Constance Kent, aged 16, and the nurse, Elizabeth Gough, the first suspected, were discharged for want of evidence. The coroner was severely blamed for charging the jury improperly, but the Court of Queen's Bench, in January, 1861, refused to issue a writ for a new inquiry. Sir Thomas Henry, on 21st July following, confessed himself to be guilty of the murder. Her punishment was commuted to penal servitude for life. She was let out on ticket-of-leave, 18th July, 1885. Road is near Frome, Somerset.]

Mr. Goschen, Chancellor of the Exchequer, delivered his Budget speech in the House of Commons this evening. He estimated an available surplus of £1,549,000. A scheme fund to provide for restoring the depreciated gold coinage had been created and credited with £600,000 arising out of the sale of silver, the duty on the circulation of silver. The duty on silver plate would be remitted to the extent of £200,000. The import duty on curranis has been reduced to 2s. per cwt., the Government of Greece having made important concessions. The house duty would be reduced by £540,000, and several minor reductions would be made. The duty on British and foreign spirits would be increased, and the amount derived from this, together with the additional beer duty imposed last year, would be handed over to the local authorities.

Mr. Goschen stated that he was prepared to reduce the postal rates to India and the Colonies on all routes to 2d. if the Colonies would concur in the project, but he estimated the loss at £80,000 per annum.

April 18th.

It has been decided that the permanent governing body of the Imperial Institute shall include thirty-nine colonial members, the North American colonies being represented by eleven, the principal Australasian colonies by twelve, Africa three, the other colonial possessions (including the Fiji Islands) nine, Tasmania and Western Australia one each, and other parts of Australia two.

PARIS, April 28th.

The Paris municipal elections passed off quietly. Twelve Republicans, eight Conservatives, and one Boulangist have been elected. 59 second ballots were necessary, of which 42 were favorable to Republicans of various shades.

BERLIN, April 28th.

It may have been prohibited in most of the German states, and many firms threaten their men with dismissal if they take holiday on that day.

LONDON, April 28th.

Mr. Michael Davitt has made attempts, which so far have proved abortive, to mediate in the railway strike in Ireland, which utterly paralyses trade in the south. The mail was the only train from Dublin to Queenstown yesterday.

In the House of Commons the Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying to a question, said that Government would take no step regarding the question of a half-mark for silver plate imported from India of the rupee standard without consulting the Government of India.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* publishes an account of an interview their representative had with Mr. Childers regarding the impressions he had formed of his late tour in the East. Mr. Childers warmly praised the energy and intelligence of the officials on the Indian frontier, and said that the Indian army was in a high state of efficiency. Regarding the Indian Congress, he thought that many measures of reform were feasible, but they must be gradual. British responsibility for the safety of India, he said, must be unqualified.

April 29th.

The debate on the Irish Land Bill was resumed last night in the House of Commons. Mr. Chamberlain said that he thought it possible to adopt Mr. Parnell's proposals jointly with those of Mr. Balfour, and advocated giving the Irish Country Councils, when created, control over the transfer of land. He urged mutual concessions in order to settle the Irish Land Question.

The State of siege has been raised in Crete, and martial law has been abolished. The Christians there are much gratified at this.

In the House of Commons Mr. Bradlaugh gave notice that he would move that no reform in the silver trade would be complete unless it provided for the export of any quality without compulsory hall-marking.

A meeting of Gladstonian Liberals was held at Swansea, at which the Mayor presided. Babu Surenra Nath Banerji and Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji were present and addressed the meeting, which passed a resolution of sympathy with the efforts of the Indian Congress, and authorised the Mayor to address a petition to Parliament asking that the elective principle in India be recognised.

PARIS, April 30th.

Seven prominent anarchists have been arrested here, and a secret printing press for the

issue of revolutionary pamphlets has been discovered. It is reported that the arrest of all the leaders is imminent.

Arrests of anarchists continue to be made here.

Fifteen anarchists have been arrested at Lyons. Exclusives, presumably for use on the day of the labour demonstration, were found at their residences.

The latest news from the west coast of Africa, states that the Dahomeyans are eight miles from Porto Novo, and are destroying the palm forests as they advance. The French are shelling Whydah.

ZANZIBAR, April 29th.

Major Wisemann with a strong force has left Bagamoyo in order to subdue Kiwa. H.M.S. *Turquoise* has gone there to protect British interests.

LONDON, April 30th.

Lord Randolph Churchill has introduced a bill to amend the licensing laws. The bill vests the right to issue licenses with Municipal and County Councils, who will have full authority to regulate the hours of closing. It also provides for a registration fee from clubs ranging up to £2,000, which is to be payable to the County Councils.

A meeting was held yesterday at Cardiff under the auspices of the Indian Congress Committee, at which resolutions were passed similar to those passed at Swansea. Babu S. N. Banerji and Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji were the chief speakers. A letter was read from Sir E. F. Reed, member for Cardiff, promising to support Mr. Bradlaugh's amendment to the India Councils' Bill.

The Queen has left Darmstadt for England.

The mediation of Archbishop Walsh and Mr. Michael Davitt between masters and men in the railway strike in Ireland has failed. The Archbishop blames the directors of railways for the failure.

Obituary.—Lord Hammond.

Hopes are entertained that the Railway strike in Ireland will be settled to-day by a compromise. The Queen has arrived in England.

The annual banquet of the London Chamber of Commerce took place last night in the Hotel Metropole. Mr. Goschen and the Agents General for the Colonies were present. Sir Charles Turpin, High Commissioner in London for Canada, said England can depend on the support of her Colonies in time of emergency. He denied there was any widespread desire in Canada for annexation to the United States. Mr. Goschen, referring to the Bi-metallic question, held that the State had no right to interfere in remedying causes of depreciation of silver.

INTERESTING SHARE CASE IN SINGAPORE.

The case *Allinson v. Galtman*, which came before Chief Justice O'Malley on May 7th, develops (says the *Strait Times*) a number of interesting points. Mr. Allinson appeared for the plaintiff and Messrs. Joagum and Everard for the defendant. In this action the plaintiff claimed \$1,000 for breach of contract of purchase of fifty shares of the defendant company.

Mr. Allinson said that the first of these arguments was no doubt a good one, if the defendant could prove it.

Only one witness was called for the defence in the person of the defendant himself, who gave evidence as to his purchase of the shares, and in support of the allegations made in the plea for the defence. The witness apparently conscientiously believed himself to have been victimised, and Mr. Allinson's rigorous cross-examination caused very little deviation in his evidence. This closed the case for the defence.

Mr. Allinson followed in an exhaustive speech in which the evidence was carefully gone over, and numerous cases of a similar nature cited. He considered the defence had not proved any of their points, and that there had been neither fraud nor fraudulent intention, the Company on July 30th, 1889, having been presumably sound. The plaintiff was not into the witness box, and endorsed all the statements made by his counsel, stating that the sale was made at a time when the Company was considered a sound concern and an output of 4,000 piculs of tin ore was anticipated, which output had it been realised, would have put the affairs of the Company into a most satisfactory condition. After the cross-examination of this witness by Mr. Everard, Mr. Schomburg, the broker, was sworn, his evidence coinciding with that of Mr. Allinson. A plea for the plaintiff, and one confirmed both by Mr. Allinson and Mr. Schomburg, was that the Company was not acting as plaintiff's agent, and plaintiff could not be considered responsible for any statements made by him in his capacity as a broker.

Immediately after the adjournment for fifteen minutes, without calling upon Mr. Allinson to reply, delivered judgment in favour of the plaintiff for \$1,000 and costs. He said that his decision was in favour of the plaintiff; the contract was admitted by the defendant, and defendant set up a defence that he had been induced to enter into the contract by false representations made by Mr. Schomburg. His lordship held as a fact that Mr. Schomburg did not make any false representations, and on these grounds he gave a verdict for the plaintiff for \$1,000 damages and costs.

BANGKOK.

May 3rd, 1890.

We hear that another Celestial shipper on Tuesday last was a trader at Sampey and leaves creditors behind to the amount of some 60,000 ticals. No European firms are touched.

Mr. C. E. Heck, the new Inspector of the Opium farm, had a lucky beginning. On Tuesday he made a seizure of some 1,500 ticals worth at Mr. M. B. Cohen's saw-yard, and on Wednesday he found 50 ticals of opium stowed away on board the steamer *Hongkong*.

A serious accident occurred at the Arracan Milling Company's warehouse last Sunday morning. Several coolies were engaged in piling up sacks of rice, when suddenly the whole mass toppled over on to them, injuring four, one rather seriously. The men were taken to the Hospital.

The steamer *Piccola*, Capt. Neissen, has been in collision on the bar with a white-painted launch on Monday night. The *Piccola* had two plates on her starboard side broken and her starboard anchor with thirty fathoms of chain carried away. The repairs of the damage will retain the *Piccola* about a week at the Bangkok Dock.

Kim Yoo, another enterprising Celestial, has left his creditors to mourn the loss of some 200,000 ticals. About 200,000 ticals are due to European firms, and about 20,000 ticals to Chinese, and at the utmost 4 or 5 per cent. will be saved. Another Chinese, also, pressed to show up his standing, showed 90,000 ticals due to Europeans against about 20,000 ticals assets.

A serious conflagration took place near Wat Saket last Wednesday night, when nearly thirty houses were burned down. The cause of

the fire is presumed to be carelessness on the part of the natives in setting fire to leaves and refuse. This dry season has been remarkable for its freedom from fires, that of Wednesday being the only one of any importance which has occurred for some time past.

Heart-rending accounts reach us of the destitution and famine raging in East Laos. In Ubou the prisoners and the majority of the population are living on banana stalks and wild herbs. Whole villages have been deserted. The people flying to more favored districts. The central Government in Bangkok has kept silent on this matter, but we would respectfully suggest that some measures of relief should be taken in aid of the famine-stricken region.—*Mercantile Gazette*.

We sincerely regret to record the death of Captain Peter Veer, who succumbed to an attack of heart disease last Thursday week. He was interred in the Protestant cemetery.

The German steamer *Piccola*, Captain Neissen, was in collision with a lighter on Monday night. It seems that at the time of the collision the night was very dark and the rain pouring down. The lighter was on her way down to Koh-i-chang and ran into the steamer, leaving a good-sized air-hole in her port bow. It is not definitely known which or whose lighter did the damage, but there is a very strong suspicion.

On Wednesday evening Inspector Sheriff met and arrested young Higgins, who became famous here some time back by decamping with 50 ticals, wages advanced to him by Mr. Jones, who had engaged his services as interpreter, before his last trip up-country. He was taken before the American Minister who sent him to the Boripah prison for 30 days. Colonel Childs also ordered the officer to have him confined in the section set apart for Europeans, and to see that he was supplied with good rations, for which the American Minister said he would pay.

The weather all last month was very trying to the constitution of those who are not used to the tropics, and fever and other minor disorders have disabled many from active work, while in some cases the results have been fatal. It is to be hoped that the heavy showers we have been having this week, which, by the way, have not fallen a minute too soon, will purify the air and prevent the further spreading of malarial fevers. A thunderstorm of somewhat alarming violence broke over Paklat on Thursday morning and was accompanied and followed by a very heavy rainfall. The crashes of thunder heard at the beginning of the storm, sounded directly overhead and were startling in their loudness.

The Siam lady who has for some time past acted as house-keeper for the late Captain Peter Veer has a natural dread of the tedious and often uncertain mode of procedure of the probate court. Half an hour after her employer's demise she marshalled her host in the form of a string of coolies and proceeded to remove the furniture and effects out of the house and transport them to a new home, which she had already prepared to receive them. Alas, for human hopes and plans! During her long residence in the house she had never learnt that Inspector Sheriff resided only a few feet away, and that his eagle eye was ever on the outlook for law-breakers. She seemed very much surprised when he swooped down on her with all the majesty of the law in his hand, in the form of a club, and at his heels in the form of a cordon of his minions. The case was reported to the Austrian Consul-General who, considering the nature of the case, and the woman's apparent belief that she had a right to the goods, let her off with a caution.—*Bangkok Times*.

To-day's Advertisements.

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Victoria Buildings,
Hongkong, 29th April, 1890. [691]

TO LET.

Possession from 1st April next.
HOUSE No. 16, ELGIN STREET.

Apply to
L. KIRCHMANN,
No. 4, Ladder Street Terrace.
Hongkong, 28th February, 1890. [353]

TO LET.

FROM 1st February next, Nos. 53, 55, & 57, PEEL STREET.

Apply to
EDWARD GEORGE.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1890. [110]

TO LET.

ROOMS in "COLLIER CHAMBERS," 2, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1890. [123]

TO LET.

No. 3, MORRISON HILL. Entry, 1st June.

Apply to
G. C. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1890. [685]

TO LET.

A HOUSE in WEST TERRACE. Immediate Entry.

Apply to
G. C. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1890. [511]

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL.

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.
UNDER the Patronage of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, H.E. the Major-General Commanding the Troops, and the Officers of the Garrison.

"MILITARY MUMMERS"
will give a
DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT
(the last of the Season)
in Aid of the Funds of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Institute,
ON
SATURDAY,
the 17th May, 1890,
consisting of H. J. BYRON'S Farical Comedy
"UNCLE"
preceded by the laughable Farce
"CHISELLING."

PRICES OF ADMISSION:—
Dress Circle \$2.00
Stalls 1.00
Back Seats 0.50

Box Plan can be seen at and Tickets obtained from KELLY & WALSH.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform half-price to Stalls and Back Seats.

Doors open at 8 o'clock to commence at 9 p.m. Hongkong, 14th May, 1890. [759]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, (unless previously disposed of by private contract), on
SATURDAY,
the 24th May, 1890, at 4.30 P.M.,
on the Ground.

RURAL BUILDING Lot No. 1, situate on Mount Gough, the Peak. Area 258,589 square feet. Annual Crown Rent \$88; commanding on the North side a splendid view of Victoria Harbour and Kowloon, and on the South side a view of Little Hongkong and Roadview. There is now on the lot a 6 Roomed Bungalow called "Brookhurst" with Garden and Lawn Tennis ground attached.

The Property will be put up in 6 lots so that the Crown Rent for each lot will be extremely small.

For conditions of sale and plans, apply to
Messrs. DENNY & MOSSOP,
No. 49 & 51, Queen's Road Central,
Messrs. DANBY, LEIGH & ORANGE,
Praya Central,
or to
G. R. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 15th May, 1890. [766]

Insurances.

THE FUNDS
OF THE
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE

ARE invested entirely within the British Dominions and are thus free from the complications which might arise in time of war. The amount to six and three-quarter Millions Sterling, and are increasing yearly. A marked preference continues to be shown for STANDARD POLICIES, and every year since 1865, New Assurances for upwards of £1,000,000 have been placed on the books—a result continued uninterruptedly for so long a period by no other British Office.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.

ATLAS ASSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1890. [599]

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF 1877, IN HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1890. [16]

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1890. [17]

THE INDIAN IMPERIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1889. [15]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS—600,000. \$833,333.33
EQUAL TO
RESERVE FUND \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. LO YUK MOON, Esq.
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO, AMEI.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December, 1889. [1091]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.
The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods, &c. Policies granted to all parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 1, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,
Hongkong, 1st February, 1889. [519]

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Pembrokehire	London	May 18th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Thibet	Bombay	May 19th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Dardanelles	Liverpool	May 19th	Butterfield & Swire
Nanchang	Glasgow	May 20th	Messageries Maritimes
Caledonia	Liverpool	May 20th	Butterfield & Swire
Achilles	Liverpool	May 21st	Siemssen & Co.
Electra	San Francisco	May 23rd	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.
City of Rio de Janeiro	Bombay	May 24th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Tehran	Bombay	May 24th	P. & O. S. N. Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, via Suez Canal	Deucalion	Butterfield & Swire	May 27th.
London	Opaack	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	To-morrow, daylight.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Oceanica	Messageries Maritimes	May 22nd, at noon.
Bremen, via Ports of Call.	Nectar	Melchers & Co.	June 4th, at 4 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via N. &c.	Batavia	Adamson, Bell & Co.	June 12th, at noon.
San Francisco, via Yama	City of Rio de Janeiro	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	June 3rd, at 1 p.m.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c.	Oceanica	O. & O. S. S. Co.	May 22nd, at 1 p.m.
Post Darwin, &c.	Menmuir	Russell & Co.	May 26th, at 4 p.m.
Flume, via Bombay	Changsha	Butterfield & Swire	May 30th, daylight.
Calcutta, via Straits	Thibet	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	May 18th, daylight.
Straits and Bombay	Thibet	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at noon.
Singapore, Batavia, &c.	Almora	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	May 23rd, daylight.
Yokohama, via Nag.	Verona	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, daylight.
Kobe and Yokohama	General Wender	Melchers & Co.	To-morrow, at 10 a.m.
Nagasaki, Kobe, &c.	Pembrokehire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	To-morrow, at noon.
Shanghai	Nectar	Butterfield & Swire	May 18th.
Haiphong, via Amoy	Dardanelles	Messageries Maritimes	About May 17th.
Fakel and Haiphong	Arctus	A. R. Marty	May 18th, daylight.
Coast Ports	Namoa	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	May 18th, daylight.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

JEY'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.
JEY'S WOOD PRESERVER OR ANTISEPTIC PAINT.

THE Undersigned have this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply purchasers at Wholesale Prices, Extra Special terms for Shipping and Large Orders.

Sir ROBERT RAWLINSON, C.B., C.E., Chief Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board London, says
"It is the best Disinfectant in use."

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
Rank Buildings.
Hongkong, 10th June, 1889. [112]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this HARBOUR none of the COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand, ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th August, 1885. [15]

Dr. Knorr's
ANTIPYRINE.

(Dose for Adults 15 to 25 grains four times)

IS the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, ERYSIPELAS, HOOPING-COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by the medical Faculty. To be had at every reputed Chemist and Druggist. Ask for Dr. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE! Each Tin bears the inventor's signature "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for China. Beware of spurious imitations!

Hongkong, 20th May, 1889. [144]

HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LTD.

SUMMER TIME TABLE.

To take effect from 1st May.

The CARS RUN between St. John's Place and Victoria Gap as follows:—

WEEK DAYS.

8 to 10 A.M. every quarter of an hour.

12 to 1 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

1 to 2 P.M. every half hour.

4 to 8 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

THURSDAYS.

NIGHT TRAM at 10.30 and 11 P.M.

SUNDAYS.

CHURCH TRAM at 10.40 A.M.

12 (NOON) to 2 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

4 to 8 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

9, 10, 10.30 and 11 P.M.

Special Cars may be obtained on application to the Superintendent.

Single Tickets are sold in the Cars; Five-Cent Coupons and Reduced Tickets at the Office.

MACWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 30th April, 1890. [689]

NOTICE.

THOMAS KE R & CO.
ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS
AND
CONTRACTORS,
YAU-MAI-TEE ENGINEERING WORKS,
Hongkong, 6th June, 1889. [26]

Antimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

KWON KWAN YEEN CHALLENGE CUPS.

THE Second Stage of the 9th Competition will take place TO-MORROW, the 17th May, at 3 p.m. To commence at the 700 yards range. Entrance Fee 30 cents.
A Launch will leave the P. & O. Wharf at 2.45 P.M., to take over Competitors.

C. VIVIAN LADDS,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1890. [85]

PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Peak Hotel and Trading Company, Limited, will not on or after the 1st day of May, 1890, be answerable for or pay any DEBTS or ACCOUNTS unless the orders for the supplies be signed by the Secretary to the Company for the time being.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. WHEELLEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1890. [651]

EAST BORNEO PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Agents Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., on TUESDAY, the 20th May, 1890, at NOON, when the resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 3rd instant will be put to the Meeting for confirmation as special resolutions.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th May, 1890. [715]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the First Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, on SATURDAY, the 24th instant, at NOON, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Account to the 30th April, 1890.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Monday, the 12th to Saturday, the 24th instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
CHAS. F. HARTON,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1890. [734]

THE TRUST AND LOAN COMPANY OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000
RESERVE FUND £40,000

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
WM. KESWICK (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.) Chairman.

ADOLF VON ANDRE (Messrs. Andre, Mendel & Co.)

ROBERT JESSON (Messrs. Jesson & Co.)

DAVID MCLEAN (Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation).

S. WYLLIES POMEROY (Messrs. Russell & Co.)

F. D. SASSOON (late Messrs. David Sassoon, Sons & Co.)

H. D. STEWART (Messrs. Stewart, Thomson & Co.)

HONGKONG COMMITTEE:
W. H. FORBES (Messrs. Russell & Co.) Chairman.

Hon. J. J. KESWICK (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.)

Hon. C. P. CHATER.

This Company is now prepared to make Loans or advances upon all kinds of Goods and upon approved Securities; and to transact the business provided for in the Memorandum of Association.

For information, terms of business, &c., apply to
DE WESTLEY LAYTON,
Secretary.

Victoria Buildings, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1890. [712]

SINGAPORE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS for the Dividend declared at the Meeting held in Singapore on the 26th April last are now ready for delivery.

Hongkong Shareholders please apply to the Undersigned for same.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1890. [761]

W. S. MARTEN,

ARTISTIC DECORATOR,

2, DUDELL STREET,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1890. [574]

CAPTAIN GEORGE TAYLOR,

INLAND SEA AND JAPAN COAST PILOT.